

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1           13. (currently amended) A virtual computer system for  
2     executing/controlling a plurality of operating systems,  
3     comprising:

4           a storing means for storing execution information  
5                 containing an execution state[[s]] of each of a  
6                 plurality of hardware devices in respective  
7                 operating systems;

8           a request receiving means for receiving at least one  
9                 request of a power-supply ON request and a power-  
10                supply OFF request to one or more of the hardware  
11                devices from one of the plurality of operating  
12                systems; and

13          a power-supply switching/controlling means for  
14                 controlling process execution of the request based  
15                 on the stored execution information, and not-  
16                 performing the process execution of the ~~power-supply~~  
17                 ~~ON request or the power supply OFF request~~ when  
18                 another operating system is using the one or more of  
19                 the hardware devices ~~if at least one operating~~  
20                 ~~system issues at least one of the power supply ON~~  
21                 ~~request and the power supply OFF request to at least~~  
22                 ~~one hardware device.~~

23           14. (currently amended) A virtual computer system for  
24     executing/controlling a plurality of operating systems,  
25     comprising:

26           a storing means for storing power-saving mode information  
27                 of each of a plurality of hardware devices in  
28                 respective operating systems;

29 a request receiving means for receiving a power-saving  
30 mode switching request from one of the operating  
31 systems; and  
32 a power-saving mode switching/controlling means for  
33 controlling process execution of the request based  
34 on the stored power-saving mode information, and  
35 waiting to set a power saving mode, ~~based on~~  
36 ~~the~~ according to the request, until power saving  
37 ~~mode information of a switched operating system when~~  
38 ~~the operating system~~ computer system is switched to  
39 said one of the operating systems.

1 15. (original) A virtual computer system according to  
2 claim 14, wherein the power-saving mode switching/controlling  
3 means can set/change the power-saving mode based on the power-  
4 saving mode information during the execution of the operating  
5 system.

1 16. (original) A virtual computer system according to  
2 claim 14 or 15, further comprising a priority comparing means  
3 for comparing execution priorities of the operating systems or  
4 priorities of the power-saving mode information, and wherein  
5 the power-saving mode switching/controlling means sets/changes  
6 the power-saving mode based on a compared result of the  
7 priorities during the execution of the operating system.

1 17. (currently amended) A virtual computer system for  
2 executing/controlling a plurality of operating systems,  
3 comprising:  
4 a storing means for storing power-saving mode information  
5 of each of a plurality of hardware devices in  
6 respective operating systems and for saving power-  
7 saving mode information of a concerned the virtual  
8 computer ~~itself~~;

9 a request receiving means for receiving a power-saving  
10 mode switching request; and  
11 a power-saving mode switching/controlling means for  
12 controlling process execution of the request based  
13 on the power-saving mode information, and  
14 setting/changing a power-saving mode by comparing  
15 the power-saving mode information of the operating  
16 system with the power-saving mode information of the  
17 virtual computer system ~~itself~~.

1 18. (currently amended) A virtual computer system for  
2 executing/controlling a plurality of operating systems,  
3 comprising:

4 a storing means for storing power-saving mode information  
5 of each of a plurality of hardware devices in  
6 respective operating systems and for saving power-  
7 saving mode information of a~~concerned~~ the virtual  
8 computer system ~~itself~~;

9 a request receiving means for receiving a power-saving  
10 mode switching request; and  
11 a power-saving mode switching/controlling means for  
12 controlling process execution of the request based  
13 on the power-saving mode information, and  
14 setting/changing a power-saving mode by comparing  
15 the power-saving mode information of a switched  
16 operating system with the power-saving mode  
17 information of the virtual computer system ~~itself~~  
18 when the operating system is switched.

1 24. (new) A virtual computer system for  
2 executing/controlling a plurality of operating systems,  
3 comprising:

4           a storage device for storing power-saving mode  
5           information about a hardware device with respect to  
6           each of said plurality of operating systems;  
7           a request receiving means for receiving a power-saving  
8           mode switching request for the hardware device; and  
9           a power-saving mode switching/controlling means for  
10          controlling process execution of the request based  
11          on the stored power-saving mode information, wherein  
12          the device is not changed to a power-saving mode despite  
13          said request to do so if any of the stored power-  
14          saving mode information shows the device in use by  
15          any one or more of said plurality of operating  
16          systems.